

# YEAR END SALE

## NOW IN FULL SWING

This sale includes merchandise from the different departments all over our store marked at extraordinary savings.

Do not fail to see them.

## THE HOMER FITTS COMPANY

### AN AMATEUR DEFINED.

One to Whom Sport is Only an Avocation, Etc.

New York, Dec. 31.—After an exhaustive discussion of the "amateur rule" and passing upon the suggestions made for the future conduct of athletic sport, the conference of delegates from sports governing bodies throughout the country adjourned last night with the understanding that a similar conference will take place here one year hence.

Gustavus T. Kirby, of the advisory board of the I. C. A. A. A. presided over the meeting. He invited unlimited discussion on the suggestions which were made last Monday and made it clear that everything adopted by the meeting will be only in the form of recommendations to the governing bodies of the different sports with the hope that in the near future the organizations would recognize one another's rulings until they could establish an alliance.

It was unanimously agreed that an amateur sportsman is one who engages in sport solely for the pleasure and physical, mental, moral and social benefits it derives therefrom and to whom sport is nothing more than an avocation. By competing or giving an exhibition in any of these sports under an assumed name or by being guilty of any fraud or any other grossly unsportsmanlike conduct in connection therewith was decided the penalty should be disbarment for life, from amateur eligibility.

For other infractions, such as receiving pay or financial benefits in consideration or as a reward for participation in any public athletic competition or exhibition or disposing of prizes for personal gain, the offender shall never thereafter be permitted to compete or exhibit as an amateur in the sport or sports in which such an act was committed. After a period of five years the persons thus disbarred may have the privilege of applying to the governing body of any other branch of sport and on assurance being given by him of no future violations he shall be privileged to compete in the sport of which such body has control.

### MIDDLESEX

Mr. and Mrs. M. Khorean returned to their home in Lynn, Mass., Wednesday. They were accompanied by the latter's sister, Miss Grace Hill.

The village schools will commence on Monday for the winter term.

Miss Mabel Stockwell goes Saturday to her school in Derby Line.

There will be a business meeting of the Glee and Social club at Holden hall on Saturday evening of this week.

George Flint of Randolph was in town last week working in the interests of a grange. A meeting will be held Jan. 8 in Holden hall, when it is expected a grange will be organized.

By request of the Mad River Lumber company, the public service commission held a hearing at the Central Vermont station Thursday afternoon.

### MAKING GOOD CISTERN CHEAPLY.

How a Practical Farmer Built One in a Single Day.

"Here is how I constructed a good cistern in one day's time for my tenant," writes Albert M. White in the New England Homestead. "To make the form I used boards seven feet long and three old buggy tires each 39 inches in diameter. I dug the cistern so that the earth wall was 47 inches in diameter. The boards were set upright and held in position by nails driven through the tire bolt holes into the boards, the heads of the nails being bent over when driven the depth of the board.

"One of the tires was used near the bottom, another near the top, and the third near the middle. The form, when completed, looked very much like a barrel with both heads knocked out, and the hoops on the inside of the staves. The diameter of the form was 41 inches, leaving a three-inch space between the boards and the earth wall. Four parts of screened gravel to one part of cement were used to make the concrete. The three-inch space was filled with this concrete, the bottom being filled three to four inches deep just before the form was erected.

"At 16 inches from the top a tile was placed in proper position to carry off overflow water into a tile drain. After two days' time the form was taken out and the wall gone over with a thin coat of fine sand and cement. The cistern has proved to be watertight. I have the spouting so arranged that it all leads to the cistern, and during three years the people have not been short of cistern water. I did the digging and constructed the form alone, but had a man to help screen the gravel and mix the concrete.

"At my sheep barn I have a good well 12 feet deep. Large sewer tile were used for the wall. During a rainy time the loose earth filling between the tile and the earth wall allowed some manure water to seep into the well. Two years ago I took out eight feet of the sewer tile and built a concrete wall on the same plan that I built the cistern wall. It prevents any leakage of manure water into the well.

"I see no reason why a well 12 or 15 feet deep could not be walled on the same plan, providing there is not too much water to interfere with the work. The tires should not be more than four feet apart."

### TOO LATE TO BE CLASSIFIED

TO RENT—Five-room downstairs tenement on Elm street, \$12.50. Inquire at 123 East street, or telephone 245-W. 2452

LOST—In Groton woods, a black and white bound; has collar with name "L. Bragdon, Barre, Vt." inscribed. Finder please notify shoe party at 12 Sixth street, or Pietro Rivers, tel. 26-5, South Rutledge, Vt. 2452

WANTED—A good Tom turkey, Black Norfolk or Bronze, 1 or 2 years old; what have you got? Write O. H. Blodgett, Lower Cabot, Vt.; Union phone. 2454

FURNISHED ROOM TO RENT—Apply at 44 Miles Granite building. 2453

### TALK OF THE TOWN

January clearance sale at Abbott's. Miss Evelyn Bruffee of Plainfield was a business visitor in the city to-day.

Harry Witepsky of Burlington is the guest of friends in the city over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Cutler of Jefferson street will spend the holiday with friends in Piermont, N. H.

J. M. Martell has moved his household goods from South Main street to a house which he recently purchased at 90 Prospect street.

Mrs. A. O. Werner, Miss Hazel and Master Sheldon Werner returned to their home in Brooklyn, N. Y., to-day after a several days' visit in the city. They were accompanied by Mrs. Werner's daughter, Mrs. Casper Spoor of the Miles block, who will make a stay of several weeks at her former home.

To-morrow being New Year's day, business in practically every line will be suspended. A number of church meetings are in prospect and there are several celebrations that come but once a year. Barber shops are to remain open until 9 o'clock this evening, closing Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Some of the mercantile establishments about town will close late this afternoon, while others are to be open until 9 o'clock. Business in the granite belt will not be resumed until Monday morning, when a week's suspension will end. Druggists plan to close their places of business to-morrow at 12:30 o'clock, to reopen for a short period in the evening.

Mrs. Fred Canton of North Main street left this morning for Shelburne, where she is to pass the week end as the guest of relatives. Mrs. William Milne left last evening for Boston and Quincy to spend 10 days with relatives. John Gallagher of Zanesville, O., went to Groton to be with friends on the holiday. He will return to Ohio next week. Angel Trueba will pass New Year's with friends in Burlington and Andrew Young will also be a Burlington visitor. Mrs. Daisy Davidson of Farwell street left for Burlington to spend the week end with acquaintances. Miss Bertha Butler left this morning for Montreal to spend a week at her former home.

Members of the 1915 class at Spaulding high school held a reunion last evening in the form of a sleigh ride to Williamstown. The evening was spent at the grange hall in the latter place, with dancing and games as the chief attractions. An oyster supper at the Monument house completed the evening, after which the party took the homeward road at an early hour. Soon after starting from this city the party received a temporary setback on South Main street when the barge caught in the railroad track near Trow & Holden's shop and was tipped onto its side. No one was injured in the mix-up, however, and the breaking of one of the lights was the chief damage done to the barge. Ready hands soon tipped the sled back to its proper position and the passengers proceeded on their way none the worse for the accident.

### BARRE DAILY TIMES

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1915.

### The Weather

Fair to-night and Saturday; slowly rising temperature; light variable winds.

### TALK OF THE TOWN

See clearance sale at Abbott's. January clearance sale at Abbott's. Read our ad. every day in The Times.

Notice! All kinds of stove repairs at E. A. Prindle & Co.'s, Pearl street.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gallatley went this morning to South Ryegate to pass New Years with relatives.

Skating at the Buzzell rink to-day. Two sessions, 2 to 7 p. m. Bring your skates. Admission 15 cents.

We buy hides, skins and pelts. Pay the highest market price. Bring yours along. H. J. Smith Co., 367 North Main street.

Mr. James Crickbank left last night for Detroit, being called there by the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Cecil Akery.

Christmas candy in bulk or in fastidious packages at 10c per pound; other holiday specials at the New England Fruit store.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Rockwood of Academy street have gone to Waterbury to be the guests of friends through the week end.

Customers of the Tilden Shoe Co. who call at their store New Year's eve will receive a souvenir of Barre. We cannot give these to children.

G. H. Smith, who has been spending the holiday season at his former home in Barre, returned this morning to Troy, N. Y., where he is employed.

Donald W. Smith of Barre, who has been employed by Jones Bros. at Wood-lawn cemetery in New York City for the past year, has gone to Northfield to make his home.

"The Shot," a two-reel drama, featuring Sidney Ayers and Doris Pawn; Hazel Buckham in "The Finest Gold," also "Billy's College Job," at the Bijou.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Forbes, who have been passing 10 days at Hotel Barre as the guests of Manager J. V. Rowen and Mrs. Rowen, returned this morning to their home in Lawrence, Mass.

Mrs. A. B. Jackson and daughter, Leone, who have been passing the holiday season with relatives and friends in Woodstock, Montpelier and Barre, will return to their home in Burlington to-morrow.

The meeting of the Universalist church, which was to have been held last evening, was adjourned until 7 o'clock Saturday evening, when the church session will be followed by the annual meeting of the governing board.

Notice—The annual parish meeting of the Universalist church will be held Saturday evening, January 1, in the church vestry. Supper from 6 to 7, followed by the business meeting. All members and friends of the church are cordially invited.

Several Barre people interested in winter horseracing will go to the capital this evening for a joint conference with Montpelier drivers relative to the proposal that intercity race meets be held this winter. Sentiment hereabouts appears to have crystallized in favor of horseraces at the Ayers street park, and if enough interest is manifested in having an ice course in Montpelier and track racing here, it is thought that an intercity series will materialize.

Colder weather has renewed the clamor of young people for the municipal skating rink, which were provided last year in three localities. Just now the aldermanic street and water committees are considering requests for public rinks at Gospel village, West Second street and Ayers street, although city laborers have not been instructed to go ahead with the work as yet. Individuals in Gospel village are getting a rink ready for the skaters and in several instances private neighborhood rinks have been constructed by enterprising devotees of the outdoor sport. The Pearl street rink was flooded last night and the illumination system connected.

E. A. Doyle of Lancaster, N. H., who was formerly employed in the Homer Fitts store, was in the city last evening to attend the St. John's night celebration of Operative lodge, No. 150. This morning he went to Randolph, where he formerly resided, for a brief visit before returning home. Among other people who came to the city yesterday for the Masonic banquet and dance were: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hullock of Northfield, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Holden and Messrs. Keyes of Brookfield, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Stevright and Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Anderson of Williamstown.

Among the visitors in the city yesterday and to-day were the following people: Dr. S. G. Simpson of South Ryegate, Miss Madeleine Wright of Ferrisburgh, M. M. Brendel of Burlington, Mrs. J. M. Hullock of Northfield, B. G. Littlefield of St. Johnsbury, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walsh of Hartwick, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Blodgett of Montpelier and Miss Allen of Westley, Mass., Grant Van Blarcom of Concord, Vt., L. B. Reilly of Burlington, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Blair of North Troy, Fred E. Hollins of Boston, H. A. LeB. Waters of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. H. Walker of Chelsea, G. A. Cross of Northfield, R. D. Sweeney of Franklin, N. H., E. A. Doyle of Lancaster, N. H., Mrs. F. E. Squires and two daughters of Sherbrooke, P. Q.

Directors of the state poultry association, which closed its 10th annual show yesterday, were busy last night and to-day crating birds for shipments to points as far as Springfield, Me., Carletonplace, N. H., and northern New York. With a few exceptions, most of the birds on the floor Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday were accompanied by their owners, but in some instances, the exhibitors were handled by the local committee, upon whom devolved the rather arduous task of getting the birds ready for shipment under weather conditions so rigorous that unusual pains had to be taken to insure comfortable transportation. From the Heaven View Poultry farm at Springfield, Me., came pens aggregating nearly 35 birds. In cases of this kind the directors, in preparing their shipments, exercised every care to have the birds arrive in good shape. The scope was removed from the Church street gymnasium this morning.

All citizens will please leave their car cards at their office on or before Jan. 1 for our monthly audit. The auditor.

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H. T. Kibby of Brookfield, an instructor in the state agricultural school at Randolph, was among the business visitors in the city to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Welch of Meadville arrived in the city yesterday for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Stewart of Mount street.

Frank L. Harris of West street, who has been detained at home by illness for the past two weeks, was able to resume his duties as lamp trimmer for the Consolidated Lighting Co. last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Walker of Chelsea registered at Hotel Barre to-day, leaving for their home this afternoon, after a 10 weeks' trip in the course of which they visited Mr. Walker's two brothers on the Pacific coast, attended the exposition at San Diego and San Francisco, and made a brief trip over the border of Mexico. En route to Vermont they stopped in Denver, Cripple Creek, Salt Lake City, and Minneapolis. During their stay in the West, Mr. and Mrs. Walker encountered many former Vermonters.

## Open This Evening

Plenty of Blankets and Comforts, Woolen Underwear, Fleece-Lined Underwear and Wool and Fleece-Lined Hosiery for This Cold Snap

Remember—A 5 per cent. Cash Discount

### Special in Flannelette Night Robes

Ladies' White, with and without collar, \$1.00 value..... 89c  
Ladies' White, without collar, 87c value ..... 69c  
Ladies' Colored, Children's White and Colored, with collar, 59c value ..... 48c

## Henry W. Knight

Gordon Block, Next to N. D. Phelps Co.'s Phone 590

Everybody invited to attend the dance in Howland hall to-night. Carroll's orchestra, Gents, 75c; ladies, free.—adv.

All clan ladies please leave their dress books with the financial secretary on or before Jan. 1.

## Union Dry Goods Company

"THE NEW STORE"

## Our Clearance Sale

Started Yesterday With a Rush

Hundreds of customers bought liberally of the many extraordinary values that were offered in every department

Our Suit and Coat Department was a busy place, and will be busier to-day—The sweeping reductions on every Suit, Coat and Dress were a pleasant surprise to the many ladies who patronized this store

Every garment is new and up-to-date, and at lower prices than you will have to pay elsewhere for old-style garments.

## Great Clearance Sale of Suits

SUITS—Regular values up to \$14.50; Clearance Price ..... \$7.98  
SUITS—Regular values up to \$17.50; Clearance Price ..... \$9.75  
SUITS—Regular values up to \$22.50; Clearance Price ..... \$12.75  
SUITS—Regular values up to \$25.00; Clearance Price ..... \$14.75

OUR COATS are selling fast, and little wonder, for the values are unequalled

STORE CLOSED AT REGULAR HOUR, 5:30, TO-DAY, and closed all day to-morrow, New Year's Day

WE WISH YOU ALL A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

## THE UNION DRY GOODS COMPANY

191 North Main Street

'Phone 599-M

### WASHINGTON

Christmas was observed here the night of Dec. 24, both societies uniting in exercises at the Baptist church. The children all took the parts assigned them in such a manner as to elicit much praise for themselves and credit to the ones who had the program in charge, Mrs. Lillian Northrop and Mrs. Louise Downing, to whom the members of the Baptist Sunday school wish to express thanks, also to Mrs. E. M. Seaver, for the able assistance she rendered. They would also express their appreciation of the work done by E. M. Seaver, without which the plans for the entertainment could not have been successfully carried out. There were trees well laden with gifts for young and old. The church was very prettily decorated by W. G. Eastman, assisted by his class.

Rev. Irving Towles gives the first of the month to his labor in Kingfield, Me., after a pastorate of 10 years in the Universalist church here. During this time he has endeavored himself to the hearts of many, not only in his own church, but throughout the whole community, and all deeply regret his departure. We bespeak for him a successful pastorate in his new field of labor.

There were no services at either church last Sunday, owing to the inclemency of the weather.

Miss Olive Chaf returns to Chelsea next week, where she is principal of the teacher training department. Mrs. Robinson is seriously ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. I. L. Shoom, and cared for by a trained nurse. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stanley spent Christmas at South Royalton.

### DEATH AT WOODSTOCK.

Of Deputy Sheriff and Jailor J. H. Ober, Aged 46.

Woodstock, Dec. 21.—J. H. Ober of this place, deputy sheriff and jailor of Windsor county, died yesterday of Bright's disease. He had been in failing health since summer. Mr. Ober was born in Seal Cove, Me., 46 years ago, the 11th of last October. He leaves his wife and an uncle in Bangor, Me., also two daughters by his first wife. Mr. Ober had worked as a machinist in Massachusetts and at Chatham, N. H. He was chief of police of Chatham eight years, and came from the Junction here. He had had charge of the jail here for two years. The deceased was a member of the Old Fellows, Elks, Knights of Pythias, Pythian sisters and was a Universalist in belief. The funeral service will be held Monday at 1:30 at the jail with burial in Seal Cove. Mr. Ober was well known by all and was a staunch, upright friend, who will be much missed.

New Year's day, Herbert Readman and Anna Little in a three-reel feature, "Hollywood," also other pictures, at the Bijou.—adv.

## Big Cut in Price

on Men's, Boys' and Youths' Heavy Rubber Overshoes to wear over socks or felts. We have been looking through our stock and selected the following lots to save you many dollars on your winter footwear:

1 lot Men's 2-bkl. Overshoes, were \$2.50, now ..... \$1.75  
1 lot Men's 2-bkl. Overshoes for felts, were \$2.50, now ..... 1.75  
1 lot Men's 1-bkl. Overshoes for felts, were \$1.50, now ..... 1.20  
1 lot Men's 1-bkl. Overshoes for shoes, were \$1.50, now ..... 1.00  
1 lot Men's 1-bkl. Overshoes for shoes, were \$1.00, now ..... .80  
1 lot Boys' 2-bkl. Overshoes for shoes, were \$1.50, now ..... 1.10  
1 lot Boys' 2-bkl. Overshoes for felts, were \$1.75, now ..... 1.25  
1 lot Boys' 1-bkl. Overshoes for felts, were \$1.25 and \$1.50, now ..... 1.10  
1 lot Boys' Leather Tops for felts, were \$2.00, now ..... 1.50  
1 lot Youths' 2-bkl. Overshoes, were \$1.50, now ..... 1.10  
1 lot Youths' 1-bkl. Overshoes, were \$1.25, now ..... .90  
1 lot Misses' 2-bkl. Overshoes, were \$1.50, now ..... 1.10  
1 lot Children's 2-bkl. Overshoes, were \$1.25, now ..... 1.00  
1 lot Men's and Women's Rubbers, were 65c and \$1.00.. .25

We will sell these at this schedule until all sold.

John Casabella, Clerk

## People's Shoe Store

C. S. Andrews, Prop.

Currier Block

HEY, WILLIE YER GITTING YER FEET WET!

WOT DO I CARE—MY HAN'S GOT A GENUINE ROUND OAK STOVE!

ROUND OAK HEATING STOVES ARE FIRST AID TO THE COLD AND WET.

C. W. AVERILL & CO.

BARRE, VERMONT

## A FULL REALIZATION OF THE New Year's Observance

depends upon how you are attired

With one of our Suits or Overcoats you will command attention.

Our Haberdashery styles are a little ahead of the other fellow.

Come here for your outfit.

This store will be open until 9 o'clock this evening and closed all day Saturday, New Year's day.

The Frank McWhorter Co.